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PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM RATIONALE

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PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM:

Adopt the proposed revised Rule 91 (92 NAC 1), "Regulations Governing Driver Qualifications and Operational Procedures for Pupil Transportation Vehicles"

RATIONALE/BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The proposed changes are a result of LB 347 and LB 42 passed during the 2018 Legislative session as well as other changes to align the transportation rule with the recommendations from the National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services. Additional changes were made to this proposed version at the request of the Governor's office and the Department of Motor Vehicles. Specifically the driving skills test was eliminated and the annual physical requirements were changed to a bi-annual requirement.

See attached hearing summary and hearing draft for more information.

ESTIMATED COST:

The fiscal impact for the Nebraska Department of Education is approximately \$1,000 for filing of a public notice, a hearing, and printing copies of the rule once adopted.

FOR CONTRACTS AND GRANTS INDICATE THE FUNDING SOURCE (e.g., state general funds, federal Perkins career and technical education funds; federal Title I funds):